

Before the  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the matters of	)	
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Investigation of Tariffs Filed by ACS of	)	CC Docket No. 02-36
Anchorage, Inc. and the National Exchange	)	
Carrier Association	)	
	)	
December 17, 2001 MAG Access Charge	)	CCB/CPD No. 01-23
Tariff Filings	)	

**General Communication, Inc.'s Response to ACS of Anchorage, Inc.'s  
Request for an Extension of Time to Submit Direct Case**

On February 15, 2002, in its Order Designating Issues for Investigation (the "Designation Order"), the Commission ordered ACS of Anchorage, Inc. ("ACS") to submit its direct case in the captioned tariff investigation proceeding by March 7, 2002. The Commission also ordered the National Exchange Carrier Association ("NECA") to submit its direct case no later than March 14, 2002, and parties responding to the direct cases to submit responsive pleadings no later than March 21, 2002. On February 21, 2002, ACS filed a Request for an Extension of Time to Submit Direct Case by which it seeks to extend its March 7, 2002 deadline until March 29, 2002.

By its Designation Order, the Commission directed ACS to file documentation and work papers in connection with the Commission's investigation of four categories of issues. In this regard, the Commission has requested, among other things, that ACS produce revised DEM factors, revenue requirements, and rates. Given the significant issues that the Commission is investigating, the public interest will best be served if ACS is provided with a sufficient opportunity to submit a complete and accurate filing. At the same time, the Commission must be afforded sufficient time to conduct a full investigation and issue a decision within the five-month

statutory deadline. Thus, though GCI does not oppose an extension of time, the Commission is in the best position to determine whether the duration of ACS's proposed scheduling change is appropriate.

Should the Commission grant ACS an extension, GCI respectfully requests that the Commission grant NECA and parties filing responsive pleadings a corresponding extension of time in which to submit their respective filings.

Respectfully submitted,

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